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Dear Examiner Tran:

AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION ACCOMPANYING A REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION

This Amendment and Response is filed responsive to the Final Office Action mailed May 26, 2009. Applicants submit that the Response is timely filed on August 26, 2009. Preliminary to further examination in accordance with the Request for Continued Examination filed herewith, please amend the application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 8 of this paper.